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In re application of: John F. ACRES et al.

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For:

COMPUTER NETWORK FOR CONTROLLING AND MONITORING

**GAMING DEVICES** 

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND REQUEST FOR DECLARATION OF INTERFERENCE

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, dated August 6, 2002, Applicant hereby elects Group II, claims 62-87, without traverse.

Please amend the application as follows:

Please change the name of the invention to: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

OPERATING MULTIPLE GAMES ON A NETWORK OF GAMING DEVICES

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In the Claims

Please cancel claims 68-76.

Please add the following new claims 88 through 98 as follows:

## 88. A progressive gaming system comprising:

a central computer coupled, at least indirectly, to gaming terminals each of which is coupled to a notification device for indicating the win of a progressive prize;